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June 29, 2016

Chris Hansen, Environmental Engineer
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HC 35 Box 380
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Subject: 2015 Annual Report Review Completion, Gordon Creek 2, 7 & 8 Mine, C/007/0016,
Task ID #5116

Dear Mr. Hansen:

The Division staff has completed the review of the 2015 Annual Report. Enclosed is a copy of the review with each reviewer's comments.

Thank you for your diligence in completing the Annual Report. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock
Coal Program Manager

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Annual Report

This Annual Report shows information the Division has for your mine. Submit the completed document and any additional information identified in the Appendices to the Division by the date specified in the cover letter. During a complete inspection an inspector will check and verify the information.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Company Name Canyon Fuel Company, LLC

Mine Name

Gordon Creek 2, 7, & 8 Mines

Permit Number C/007/0016

Permit expiration Date

August 27, 2019

Operator Name Canyon Fuel Company, LLC

Phone Number

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Mailing Address 225 North 5th Street Suite 900

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City Grand Junction

State Colorado

Zip Code 81508

DOGM File Location or Annual Report Location

Excess Spoil Piles

☐ Required☒ Not Required

Refuse Piles

☐ Required☒ Not Required

Impoundments

☒ Required☐ Not Required

Has met the minimum. Copies of inspections attached and listed under Reporting of other Technical Data

Other:

OPERATOR COMMENTS

REVIEWER COMMENTS

☐

Met Requirements

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Did Not meet Requirements

REPORTING OF OTHER TECHNICAL DATA

Please list other technical data or information that was not included in the form above, but is required under the approved plan, which must be periodically submitted to the Division.

Please list attachments:

The electronic files attached to the email submittal to the Division of this annual report also contain a scanned copy of the annual pond inspection of the Gordon Creek 2, 7 & 8 Mines Jacob Pond. The inspection was performed by Rich White, P>E> of EarthFax Engineering, Inc. The electronic file is titled "Gordon Creek Annual Pond Inspection 2015."

Reviewer Comments

Vicky Miller conducted quarterly inspection of Jacob's Pond on 3/23/15, 9/23/15, and 11/22/15. Mr. Rich White, Utah registered professional engineer inspected the Jacob's Pond stock watering pond at the Gordon Creek 2 / 7/ 8 reclamation area on June 3, 2015. This inspection was conducted to complete the annual impoundment certification requirement established under R645-301-514.311. No signs of instability in the embankment or spillway were identified during the 6/3 inspection. The pond contained water, and was noted as having not recently discharged. There was no inflow or outflow at the time of Mr. Whites visit. This is not a UPDES outfall location. The spring located in the north bank above the pond is the prominent water supply to this pond.

Mr. White completed the P.E. certification of the 6/3 inspection report on June 3, 2015. His stamp is signed and dated and meets the requirements of R156-22-601, Seal Requirements mandated by the Utah Department of Professional Licensing. (CP)

MAPS

Copies of mine maps, current and up-to-date, are to be provided to the Division as an attachment to this report in accordance with the requirements of R645-301-525.240. The map copies shall be made in accordance with 30 CFR 75.1200 as required by MSHA. Mine maps are not considered confidential.

| Map Name | Map Number | Included | | Confidential | |
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Reviewer Comments ☐ Met Requirements ☐ Did Not Meet Requirements